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H. R. 3377

To prohibit importation of seafood products of countries that do not prohibit the practice of shark finning, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 25, 2017

Mr. FARENTHOLD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Justice Attributed to
5 Wounded Sharks Act” or “JAWS Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF SEAFOOD**
2 **PRODUCTS OF COUNTRIES THAT DO NOT**
3 **PROHIBIT THE PRACTICE OF SHARK FIN-**
4 **NING.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—No seafood product that is the
6 growth or product of a country described in subsection (b)
7 may be imported into the customs territory of the United
8 States on or after the date that is 90 days after the date
9 of the enactment of this Act.

10 (b) COUNTRY DESCRIBED.—A country described in
11 this subsection is a country with respect to which the
12 President determines does not prohibit the following:

13 (1) Shark finning in the territorial waters of
14 the country.

15 (2) The importation, sale, or possession of
16 shark fins obtained as a result of shark finning.

17 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF THE UNITED
19 STATES.—The term “customs territory of the United
20 States” has the meaning given such term in general
21 note 2 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the
22 United States.

23 (2) SEAFOOD PRODUCT.—The term “seafood
24 product” means any article that is classified under
25 chapter 3 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the
26 United States.

1 (3) SHARK FINNING.—The term “shark fin-
2 ning” has the meaning given the term in section 9
3 of the Shark Finning Prohibition Act (16 U.S.C.
4 1822 note).

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